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Word From Dr. Mason.

"It is of tremendous importance in a campaign to believe in ourselves. Any worker for Washburn college who is humble—well, he'd better come down and spend a week at Baldwin! I don't mean you ought to be presumptuous or impudent. Get the feeling that it is a grand and splendid business in which you are engaged."

"Don't be afraid to ask for a big sum of money. Think of the persons who are defeated by asking for too little. After all it is not a question of how much a man is worth, but what he is willing to give in this campaign. It is the persons who have the faith in their hearts who give proportionately."

What a Little Town Did.

The little town of Baldwin—1,400 population—gave between \$47,000 and \$50,000 in the Baker university campaign. This is Topeka's opportunity to set an example for the entire state of Kansas. I bid you Godspeed. I hope you will succeed—you will not fail. I'll be waiting to hear the report of the fine victory that is coming."

That was a fine speech—mighty fine spirit," commented Robert Stone, chairman. "I'm almost ashamed that the executive committee did not give for \$300,000 or \$400,000. Washburn has given Topeka much, and Topeka cannot repay her debt."

Kansas Avenue Decorated.

Kansas avenue was decorated with the blue and white of Old Hawaii today. Practically every store, in respect to the doughty workers who are endeavoring to raise \$200,000 in this city, was decorated with flags, Washburn pennants and bunting.

As a result of orders from Albert Patten, trolley poles on Kansas avenue were draped in blue and white bunting. Pennants bearing the insignia of Washburn were much in evidence in store windows, and were carried by those in the crowds that jammed the avenue.

Cleared Kansas Avenue.

The Topeka police department, both night and day shifts, cleared the way for the Washburn parade today. The city was cleared of all vehicles from the avenue between Fifth and Tenth streets. The work of clearing all vehicles from the avenue began under the direction of Chief Parsons. Plain clothes men and sergeants, shortly before 1:30 o'clock. Before 2 o'clock, the time for the parade to be held on the avenue was clear of all motor cars and other vehicles.

Drivers were not allowed on the avenue while the parade was in motion.

WIFE IS FORGIVEN BY HER HUSBAND

(Continued from Page One.) to Topeka but now that my wife is back, she can stay."

Glenn Scott and Mrs. Edna Stadel were taken into custody by Under-Sheriff Hugh Larimer at the Missouri Pacific depot today afternoon, and Scott has been locked in the jail to answer a felony charge of enticing a female. His bond was fixed at \$1,000. His arrest ended the search for him, which has been in progress for the past three weeks since he disappeared with the wife of the Topeka postoffice clerk, Walter Stadel. The husband arrived at the railroad station with the officers, the presence of the missing couple having been disclosed to him by someone who learned that they had spent the previous night here at the Chesterfield hotel and were arranging to leave town again.

At the jail Scott admitted that he and Mrs. Stadel have traveled in Oklahoma and Missouri since leaving here on March 27 and that they visited his relatives in Oklahoma, where he declared that although they have passed as man and wife while traveling together there has been no impropriety in their relations. Scott's baggage disclosed a curious assortment of arms, ammunition and other questionable articles. He wore a revolver and had cartridges, a cartridge belt and "knucks."

Scott and Mrs. Stadel were children Hoyt 15 years ago. He went into the navy. She came to Topeka, worked in a clothing store and married the postoffice clerk. Stadel provided her with a home where they were living at 1527 Van Buren street when Scott turned up. He rented a room and spent a good deal of his time there until March 27. Stadel went home and packed her belongings and boarder gone. She had "taken her rings, all the rest of her things to the pictures that hung on the wall" and had been working more on her account so that bills began to arrive from the dry goods stores almost as soon as she left town. She incidentally told the police that she had been an attorney, about fifty dollars with which she had been entrusted by him to make a payment on some obligation of hers. She said that she had been sent by her to her parents at Hoyt a few days previous on her explanation that she was preparing to clean house. Just why Scott and Mrs. Stadel came back to Topeka has not been made clear. They are said to have registered at the Chesterfield as Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Summers.

TOPEKA IS PICTURED. HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Motor Car Magazine Publishes View of Capital City.

In the current issue of the Haynes Pioneer, there are only two views shown on the opening page. One is a picture of the business district of San Francisco, the other is the capital square in Topeka, showing the state house, Santa Fe offices and other buildings. The Haynes Pioneer is the publication by the Haynes Auto Manufacturing plant.

The issue also has a story by Fred W. Wood of Kansas City, Mo., making a cross-country trip from Long Beach, California, to Kansas City, and of his experiences in Kansas.

Coal Mine Blows Up.

Bluefield, W. Va., April 17.—The mine at the Davy-Poorey Coal mine at Davy, W. Va., blew up early today. This being a slack day in the coal fields, only six men were at the mine. The explosion killed the other three escaped. The explosion was caused by gas and the mine is not much injured.

## OH, WHAT MUSH!

Mayor House Seeks Membership of "Flapdoodle."

His Friends Refuse to See Him Catch First Ball.

Earl Akers, state treasurer, has started a revolt. It is directed against Jay E. House, mayor. Akers read today of House's agreement to participate in the opening of the baseball festivities and turned green with disgust.

Two years ago, Akers recalls, House made a sacred, solemn, binding promise to his Topeka friends. It was to the effect that when he became mayor he would ditch the flapdoodle, would not use the mush ladle and would not be a leather-cushioned, pedestaled mayor. The result of the remark was upon the action of Mayor Cofran and Governor Hedges participating in the opening of the 1913 baseball season.

"There is always a lot of unnecessary flapdoodle and bunc about opening a baseball season," House told his friends in the press box at the ball park. Akers heard the remark. If his memory serves him right—and Akers thinks it does—House continued: "When I am mayor, I will cut this out. I positively won't catch the first ball or have anything to do with the game. People go to the ball game to see the game, not to see someone toss a ball like an old woman throwing a cat."

And so it went. House roasted the governor and the mayor in his paragraphs. He scoffed at the ancient hobby. He promised reform. His platform gained supporters in Topeka and over the state. Now House has been elected mayor and he has had to help open the baseball season.

"I am disgusted," was the remark today of Treasurer Akers. He indignantly devoted his time, services, gasoline and automobile to the House campaign. "If House is going to follow the mush and flapdoodle crowd, I am going to quit. I will either head or follow a revolt. I will even deny myself the joy of attending the opening game. House has violated a sacred pledge, and I refuse to mix up in the game. I am not going to be a party to the act or even an innocent bystander."

House proposed to organize the anti-mush crowd and test the mayor's sincerity in his campaign remarks and paragraphs.

OPEN SEASON SUNDAY

Santa Fe Apprentices Will Play Eagles at Santa Fe Park.

The Santa Fe Apprentices will open their baseball season at the Santa Fe ball park Sunday at 3 o'clock, with the Eagles of the City League.

The Apprentices this year, managed by Ed Johnson, have a strong team and the Eagles have the best pick of Topeka's semi-pro and amateur ball players. Manager Smith of the Eagles has secured the services of Andy Johnson, pitcher, and catcher Allen, who led the City League last year and he expects to win the pennant. The Eagles last year lost the pennant when Manager Smith took hold of them but he has been getting his team together since last season and hopes to land the bunting.

The Apprentices have for years had one of the best semi-pro teams in the state and this year they have the best players the Santa Fe shops can furnish. They put up a very fast game against the Emporia State League last Sunday.

The Apprentices will be called at 3 p. m. at Santa Fe ball park at Seward avenue and Branner street. The Santa Fe diamonds have been all laid out and the Apprentices hope to have it sopped this year.

The lineup of the two teams will be as follows:

Apprentices: Allen, Pfenstiel, White, Simpson, Smith, Feiger, Montgomery, Wall, Peterson, Marshall, Lux, Herron, Boyd, Lowe, Shultz, Boydson, Mulligan, Emple Kempton, who umpired City League games last year, will officiate.

PALACE IS OPEN.

Remarkable Feat by Big Clothing Firm After Fire.

The Palace Clothing company opened up bright and early this morning in its temporary location at 708-710 Kansas avenue, across the street from the building which was destroyed by fire a week ago. In its location, a new building can be built, the Palace will conduct its usual large line of men's furnishings, hats, shoes and suits.

The managers and employees of the Palace deserve a lot of credit for getting together a complete stock of goods and to be ready for business just one week after the accident. And all of the employees of the Palace store will be found at 708 and 710 and the stock that has been purchased is of high grade material. The tailors will be located on the second floor, a room donated by Dr. Eva Harding.

TOPEKA CHURCH LEAGUE WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL MEETING TUESDAY.

The Topeka church athletic league will hold its regular annual business meeting at the office of the league president, H. B. Howard, at 716 Kansas avenue, next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Baseball, tennis and other summer sports are being organized and churches, Sunday schools and clubs not heretofore connected with the league are cordially invited to send representatives to the meeting.

It is under the direction of Carlton Wood, the violinist.

The glee club, composed of 25 boys under the direction of Sherrill E. Smith, was newly organized this season. Dr. Wilbur N. Mason, president of Barber university, which recently successfully completed a half million dollar endowment fund by over-subscribing the amount by more than \$100,000, brought greetings from that institution.

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